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Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- 1. Amendment and Response to October 9, 2003 Final Office Action (9 pgs.);
- 2. Petition of Extension of Time (1 pg.);
- 3. Check No. 18245 for \$210.00 to cover extension fees;
- 4. Notice of Appeal (1 pg);
- 5. Check No. 18247 for \$165.00 to cover the Notice of Appeal Fee; and
- 6. Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees which may be required or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No.15966-585A.

Respectfully submitted,

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